

DECISION



THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL
OF THE UNITED STATES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548

FILE: B-209240

DATE: October 21, 1982

MATTER OF: Tenavision, Inc.

DIGEST:

Protest alleging improprieties in RFP apparent prior to the closing date for receipt of initial proposals, but not filed prior to that date, is untimely.

Tenavision, Inc. (Tenavision), protests as unclear provisions in request for proposals (RFP) No. F49642-82-RA008 issued by Andrews Air Force Base.

We dismiss the protest.

Tenavision contends that there is a conflict between the provision on page A-1 of the RFP which requires a 5-inch Bunting TV without a nurse call button and the provision on page C-1 which requires a button providing "instant call-in to the Duty Nurse when activated by the patient."

Our Bid Protest Procedures require that a protest based on alleged improprieties in a solicitation which are apparent prior to the closing date for the receipt of initial proposals be filed before that date. 4 C.F.R. § 21.2 (b)(1) (1982). We are advised by the Department of the Air Force that the provisions protested were contained in the RFP as originally issued. The closing date for the receipt of initial proposals was September 17, 1982, but the protest was not received in our Office until September 27, 1982. The protest therefore is untimely and will not be considered on the merits.

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